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TITLE OF INVENTION: PROMOTION OF PEROXISOMAL CATALASE FUNCTION IN CELLS

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

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Claims 2, 13-18, 22, 25, 27, 28, 30-33, 37-40, 43, 44, 48, and 54-58 have been canceled. Claims 1, 3-12, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 29, 34-36, 41, 42, 45-47, 49-53, and 59-61 are at issue and are present for examination. Claims 23, 24, 26, 29, 34, 36, 42, 45-47, and 49-53 were previously withdrawn from consideration as drawn to a non-elected invention.

Claims 1 and 3 are allowable. The restriction requirement between groups I and VI, as set forth in the Office action mailed on 3/18/08, has been reconsidered in view of the allowability of claims to the elected invention pursuant to MPEP \$ 821.04(a). The restriction requirement is hereby withdrawn as to any claim that requires all the limitations of an allowable claim. Claims 23, 24, 26, 29, 34, and 36, directed to peroxisomally-targeted polypeptides comprising a modified catalase having a carboxy-terminal PTS1 sequence as recited in claims 1 or 3 and a delivery or translocation molecule or moiety bound thereto and use thereof are no longer withdrawn from consideration because the claim(s) requires all the limitations of an allowable claim.

In view of the above noted withdrawal of the restriction requirement, applicant is advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in

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the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application.

Once a restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

Claims 1 and 3 are directed to an allowable product.

Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claims
42, 45-47, and 49-53, directed to the process of making or using
an allowable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as
a result of a restriction requirement, are hereby rejoined and
fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Because a claimed invention previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 has been rejoined, the restriction requirement between groups I and VIII as set forth in the Office action mailed on 3/18/08 is hereby withdrawn. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement as to the rejoined inventions, applicant(s) are advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double

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patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP \$ 804.01.

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Shmuel Livnat on 5/26/09.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

In order to place the case in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52(b)(4), replace the abstract with the abstract provided on a separate sheet attached hereto.

Insert before the first line of the specification --This application is a 371 national phase of international application PCT/US03/34512, filed October 30, 1993, which claims the benefit of US provisional application 60/422,100, filed October 30, 1992.--

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In claim 1, line 9, replace --2 and about 17-- with --3 and about 17--.

Replace claim 7 with:

7. The modified catalase polypeptide of claim 1, wherein residues at any one of Xaa_{-6} to Xaa_{-4} are hydrophobic amino acids.

In claim 24, replace --claim 1-- with --claim 3--.
Cancel claims 51 and 53.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicants have amended the claims to recite the replacement of the KANL sequence at the carboxy terminus of native human catalase with a peptide of 6-20 amino acids in length and comprising the sequence S/A/C-K/R/H-L/M at the carboxy terminus. The prior art does not provide sufficient motivation for the selection of peptides of this length to replace the KANL sequence. As explained in the previous 103 rejection the art clearly does suggest the replacement of KANL with KSKL. While the disclosure of Lametschwandtner et al. suggests that residues upstream of the carboxy terminal tripeptide and in particular hydrophobic residues at -2 (Xaa-5 herein) and -5 (Xaa-8 herein) influence the strength of the interaction between the peroxisome targeting signal and its

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Pex5p receptor, Lametschwandtner et al. teach that the influence of these upstream residues was greater when the terminal tripeptide deviated from the consensus and inspection of the native human catalase sequence at residues -2 and -5 shows that position -5 meets this additional preference. Thus while it would have been obvious to replace the KANL sequence of native human catalase with a peptide of 5 amino acid residues having the sequence hydrophobic-KSKL, there would not have been any reason to introduce additional amino acid residues not found in native human catalase. A skilled artisan would have desired to limit the number modifications to only those which clearly improve the peroxisomal targeting as every additional modification introduced would increase the possibility of producing unwanted immunological reactions and/or significantly altering the three-dimensional structure of the remainder of the protein,

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Rebecca E. Prouty whose telephone number is 571-272-0937. The examiner

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can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Mondays

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nashaat Nashed, can be reached at (571) 272-0934. The fax phone number for this Group is 571-273-8300.

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ABSTRACT

The molecular mechanisms of peroxisome biogenesis have begun to emerge: in contrast, relatively little is known about how the organelle functions as cells age. The present inventors characterized age-related changes in peroxisomes of human cells and showed that aging compromises peroxisomal targeting signal 1 (PTS 1) protein import, with the critical antioxidant enzyme, catalase, especially affected. The number and appearance of peroxisomes are altered in these cells, and the organelles accumulate the PTS1-import receptor, Pex5p, on their membranes. Concomitantly, cells produce increasing amounts of the toxic metabolite, H_2O_2 , and this increased load of reactive oxygen species (ROS) may further reduce peroxisomal protein import and exacerbate the effects of aging. Disclosed are novel compositions and methods for restoring catalase in peroxisomes by use of targeted catalase modified at its C-terminus and/or Nterminus, optionally in combination with polypeptides which promote cellular uptake of proteins, to prevent or overcome the changes that follows aging or that are associated with a number of diseases or disorders.